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1. POST BECOMING INCREASINGLY CONCERNED THAT NO CANDIDATES FOR CHULA CHAIR HAVE BEEN OFFERED SINCE TURNDOWN OF DR. ROBIN BROOKS. THIS HIGH PRIORITY PROJECT WILL BE JEOPARDIZED IF POST CANNOT OFFER THE UNIVERSITY CHOICE OF ACCEPTABLE CANDIDATES FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF AMERICAN STUDIES CHAIR.

2. PROJECT SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE WITH NEW SEMESTER BEGINNING JUNE 1975.

3. DANIEL BOORSTIN WITH WHOM POST DISCUSSED CHAIR CANDIDATE QUESTION WILL RETURN TO WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK AND MAY BE ABLE TO ADVISE CU. IN ADDITION HENNIG COHEN, EDITOR OF AMERICAN STUDIES JOURNAL AT UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MIGHT BE USEFUL IN SUGGESTING CANDIDATES. POST PREPARED TO ACCEPT SUITABLE CANDIDATE IF TIME AVAILABLE IS AT LEAST SIX MONTHS. IT IS ESSENTIAL TO GET THE PROJECT STARTED BEFORE UNIVERSITY RESCINDS ITS OFFER BECAUSE OF DELAY IN NAMING CANDIDATE ACCEPTABLE TO IT. THIS WOULD REPRESENT A MOST SERIOUS FAILURE. CU ASSISTANCE SOONEST THIS MATTER IS VITAL.
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